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1. From papers found at the scene of the murder of the late George Murray, the Military Intelligence Service (MIS) of the Headquarters National Defense Forces (HNDF) has obtained information on the clandestine smuggling activities of the Murray syndicate.
2. One of the syndicate's largest sources of income is derived from the smuggling of aliens.
3. AGOS believed that the syndicate may have killed George Murray in collusion with his wife.
4. The smuggling group has apparently no feeling of apprehension about its present situation because it is so powerful, having connections with President Quirino through his brother Judge Antonio Quirino and through Nicholas R. Lynnevitch.
5. On 30 August the MIS tried unsuccessfully to question Philip Rogers while he was in the company of Herman Sher, Eric Wagner, and Max Irmscher about the alleged smuggling into Thailand and into Hong Kong and Saigon. However, after the questioning, Sher talked by telephone to Antonio Quirino requesting that he take the necessary steps to stop the investigation.

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